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## SPIRIT OF TRIUMPH IN AIR AS STATE'S GREAT FAIR OPENS

Preparations Completed  
for First Time in History  
of Show.

GOOD WEATHER EXPECTED  
TO SMASH ALL RECORDS

Sightseeing Crowds Gave 35  
Police Plenty of Work  
Yesterday.

450 RACE HORSES ARE HERE

Old Dominion's Fifteenth Exposition  
Is All Set for Most  
Auspicious Start.

The spirit of the greatest fair in Virginia's history was in the air yesterday at the grounds on the corner of the Boulevard and Hermitage Road, penetrating everywhere and filling every one who had anything to do in preparing for the opening today with unbounded energy.

Work went on until almost dawn today under the grim determination of all hands to carry out General Manager W. C. Saunders' promise that when the grounds open at 8 o'clock this morning, every hammer and saw will have been put away. This will be the first year that such an achievement has been attempted.

Thirty-Five Police on Duty.

The fair grounds and all roads leading to it presented bustling scenes yesterday under the faintest of autumn skies. Wind and sun were nicely tempered and the throngs of sightseers were out to take all the advantages that Mother Nature was giving them, as well as some that the State Fair Association was not so glad to see them take, for it required the combined efforts of thirty-five police detailed to the grounds under Captain Charles Samuels to keep the gates barred and the fences free of the ever-growing army of curious folk, young and old. A momentary flurry was caused at the castle gate near the railroad when a crowd of people gathered for the control of the man in charge of the herd and made a dead set for the gate, where a large crowd was collected, containing many women and children. A bad stampede was narrowly avoided, but not by the aid of police, who were unable to get anywhere in the stampede.

At the time, Director Henry Schwarzschild and Manager Saunders later found Captain Samuels and insisted that the police give the service they were put there to render. Though the fences were broken in some places, a force of ten policemen had things put to rights and the grounds were cleared of autoists who had violated the order permitting only concessionaires and exhibitors to bring their machines inside. Several "speedy" motorists had to be diverted of their idea that the race track had been put in shape specially for them, whereas it had been worked over for weeks at a large daily cost to get it in the proper condition for the horses, 450 of which are here for this meeting.

450 Race Horses Here.

Racing Secretary James P. Ross said last night that he "had all the horses I want." Extra stables had to be hired at the last moment to house all the horseflesh which the \$10,000 in purses has attracted here from every section of the continent. Among the last stables to arrive will be that of W. V. Tharves, of Lexington, Ky., who is donating purses of \$1,000 and \$500 for the Richmond and Virginia trophy races, respectively.

There are upwards of 1,000 head of cattle in the stalls this morning and the chances are that before tonight there will be on exhibition fully three times as many as have been seen at the average fairs of the past. The highest number ever before reached was between five and six hundred. Director R. W. Spilman, of the livestock division, has been put to the test to know where to accommodate all the entries that have poured in upon him and every department is in about the same fix.

The Polack shows pulled out of Washington for this city a little after noon yesterday. Right and left sections are already on the ground and nothing would prevent their being ready to open for the full ten-day run of the fair at noon today.

"Al" Wilson's Latest Escape.

"Al" Wilson came out to the grounds yesterday afternoon and related to an interested group the narrow escape he had from death at the hands of his latest captors in Des Moines, Iowa. He is the last aviator who can successfully change from plane to plane in midair without the aid of anything but his hands. He had performed this stunt for the Iowa crowd one day during his engagement and decided to give them an added thrill by having his pilot fly at top speed, while he dangled from the end of a twenty-five foot rope with a life belt about his waist. All went well, Wilson said, until he was ready to haul himself up hand over hand and rejoin his companion. He had drawn himself up as far as he could and with one hand had seized the side of the compartment in which the pilot sat, when inadvertently he brought himself into contact with the terrific wind created by the propeller blades, and his hold was broken. He

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SOUTHERN MUSICAL BUREAU.

Season Concert Tickets at \$7.00 in great demand. Right and left sections filling rapidly. 215 East Broad Street. Randolph 600—Adv.

## Irish Servants Mourn for King's Lost Rights

(By Universal Service.)

LONDON, Oct. 3.—The royal family has had more trouble with the Irish servants. A few days after the free-for-all fight between the English and Scotch maids on one side and the Irish on the other, the royal ensign that flies from the northern tower of Balmoral Castle was half-masted as a sign of mourning. Over it was a white flag bearing the words, "In memory of the rights of the King."

The Irish servants were held responsible. The lost rights are the ones the King did not dare exercise in the face of the Cabinet's veto of Mayor MacSwiney's release.

The flagmaster speedily hauled down the white flag and hoisted the ensign to the peak of the tower. No disciplinary action was taken.

Remnant of 900 Inhabitants of  
Tubercerry Live in Fear of  
Second Incursion.

(By Associated Press.)

TUBERCERRY, IRELAND, Oct. 3.—A town half in ruins and its remnant of inhabitants living in dread of a repetition of the raid of last week, and a handful of seemingly nervous police, who had shut themselves inside barracks with the body of the slain district inspector Brady, were what the correspondent found when he reached this remote place in Ireland late today.

The correspondent was told Acting Commissioner Russell tried to prevent the destruction of the town; from the managers of the two fire-swept creameries he received their account of the raid, which was the darkness and a thick fog to save the institutions with which the fortunes of almost the entire community were bound up, and from the wife of the manager of the creameries he heard a story of how she and her three children escaped from bullets and also how, while facing four rifles pointed at her head, contrived a ruse to safeguard her husband.

Shopkeepers Boycot Police.

For many weeks, the correspondent was told, the local police had been subject to a boycott by the townspeople. The shopkeepers were refusing to accept their trade. For a fortnight preceding Thursday's raid on the town, the people were declared to have been fired on from the roofs of a large general store adjoining the barracks. The store later was riddled with bullets and interior wrecked, this incident intensifying the feeling between the people and the police.

When the news on Thursday afternoon of the ambushing of a police lorry reached Tubercerry, two hundred of the townspeople fled in panic, anticipating speedy reprisal. At about midnight four lorries filled with uniformed men, and it is said, including County Commissioner Russell, arrived in Tubercerry. Two of them came from the direction of Ballymore, and two from the direction of Drogheda.

Accounts of what happened afterward, as given to the correspondent by various townspeople, follows:

Break Into Saloon.

The lorries stopped in front of the public house, and when the occupants got out Commissioner Russell begged them not to destroy property. One man answered the commissioner with an oath, and all the

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BISCUIT POISONING UNDER  
GRAND JURY CONSIDERATION

(By Associated Press.)

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Trace of Arsenic in Hotel Bread  
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Texans MacConchie, negro servant employed by the hostelry, is being held in connection with the case. Other employees of the hotel have been stated, according to the authorities, that he had warned them the night illness developed among the guests not to eat any biscuits. The motive for the placing of poison in the bread never has been established.

ARMY TRUCKS REACH COAST  
OVER BANKHEAD HIGHWAY

(By Associated Press.)

Caravan Started Long Trip Across  
Continent From Washington  
on June 14.

SAN DIEGO, CAL., Oct. 3.—Seventy army trucks and automobiles, which left Washington, D. C., June 14, and crossed the continent by the Bankhead highway, have arrived here.

The convoy contained twenty-two officers and 162 enlisted men of the army.

KILLS YOUNG GEORGIAN  
IN BATTLE WITH KNIVES

(By Associated Press.)

DUBLIN, GA., Oct. 3.—George Rabun, 24, is dead, and Frank Powell, 19, severely wounded, as a result of a battle with knives in Laurens County late last night.

Boht young men are sons of prominent farmers, and it was said the fight resulted from rivalry for the attention of a young woman.

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## WARM RECEPTION ACCORDED COX ON RETURN TO DAYTON

Completes 11,000-Mile Trip  
Through All But Three  
Western States.

SAYS PEOPLE WANT LEAGUE  
AND GRASP ITS POSSIBILITIES

Front-Porch "Senatorial Oligarchy" Offensive to Voters, He Declares.

(By Universal Service.)

DAYTON, OHIO, Oct. 3.—Governor Cox was given a "warm welcome home" reception tonight, upon his returning from his month's Western trip. The Democratic presidential candidate was cheered by several thousand persons as he stepped from his private car, which had carried him more than 11,000 miles through all States west of the Mississippi River, except Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana.

He was met at the station by Mrs. Cox, his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Mahoney, and many personal friends. The crowd insisted that he talk and followed him to his newspaper office a few blocks away, where the candidate expressed his appreciation for his welcome. He spoke only a few minutes, saying the proprieties of the Sabbath forbade him talking on subjects he had discussed during his trip. He then went to his home at Trail's End, where he expects to rest for a couple of days.

En route here from Kansas City, Mo., where he closed his Western campaign last night, the Governor had an hour's conference with Frank Roosevelt, his running mate, who rode from Terre Haute to Indianapolis with his chief, Mr. Roosevelt then left to continue his second Western trip.

Crowds Met the Cox Train.

At several cities today Sunday crowds met Governor Cox's train, and with political harangues on the Sabbath, he spoke a few words of greeting and appreciation. At Ellingham and Richmond, Ind., he held rear-platform receptions clad in his pajamas and swathed in an overcoat.

A statement issued tonight by Governor Cox, reviewing his Western campaign, described it as "a wonderful trip—with just one rainy day."

Declaring that the Western people are "independent," the Governor's statement said in part: "They realized the last month what maintained a mind-melting message. The thing they resent most is the deliberate withholding of the facts bearing upon present conditions. They have developed a feeling of approaching real bitterness against the senatorial oligarchy."

"During the war, with all of its disturbing elements there, is no question but what there was a feeling that a turn in the road was desirable and a political change was generally discussed. The voters, however, are realizing in the West that the political change which they had a mind-melting message. The thing they resent most is the deliberate withholding of the facts bearing upon present conditions. They have developed a feeling of approaching real bitterness against the senatorial oligarchy."

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## BORAH WILL FORCE HARDING'S HAND ON LEAGUE COVENANT

Irreconcilable Senator to  
Issue Ultimatum in His  
Danbury Speech.

EXPECT UNEQUIVOCAL REPLY  
FROM REPUBLICAN NOMINEE

Insurgent Will Dare Any Individual to Turn G. O. P. From  
Creed of No Compromise.

(By Universal Service.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—Senator Borah, of Idaho, leader of the Republican "irreconcilables," who recently canceled his speaking engagements for the national committee, will serve formal notice upon Senator Harding in a speech Monday night that neither the Republican party nor the American people will stand for a league of nations under any name or in any guise, it was learned here today.

The Republican nominee is strongly suspected of being in favor of an international court along the lines suggested by Elihu Root. Such a court is regarded in many quarters as being a league in a slightly different, though even more arbitrary form.

Senator Borah has selected Danbury, Conn., where he speaks in behalf of Senator Brandegee, another irreconcilable, as the scene for what he calls "the test of the Harding league stand."

Expected Harding to Reply.

In his speech, which virtually amounts to an ultimatum to the nominee, the Senator will dare any individual to turn Republicans away from a creed which admits of no compromise where America's sovereignty is concerned. This challenge, it is expected, will bring an unequivocal statement as to where he stands from Mr. Harding.

It was first planned that Mr. Root should go to Marion, Ohio, for a conference with the nominee. An attempt to square the Harding candidacy with the Root view of foreign affairs was to be made on that occasion. That has since been abandoned. Now the scheme is to have Mr. Root preside at a Harding meeting in New York City.

"In whichever way party managers face the league issue they will find themselves met in the middle of the road. From now on, nothing will satisfy the league irreconcilables except a straight-from-the-shoulder statement in opposition to any political league in any form or under any name coming from the nominee himself."

"Furthermore, the irreconcilable Senators will not be found speaking in behalf of the national ticket unless such statements are forthcoming. They will speak only in States where irreconcilable Senators are up for re-election," he added.

Will Repeat Ultimatum.

Senator Borah will not stop at Danbury. On Wednesday night, he will repeat the ultimatum at New Haven, where William Howard Taft, a pro-leaguer, is connected with Yale faculty. It is understood that the Republican managers did not want Senator Borah to speak there.

While Senator Borah is apparently desisting from a strict account, he has been in constant communication with Senator Johnson, of California, and other irreconcilables, and is acting also on their behalf.

"Foes of the league are determined that there must have a strict account on the issue before election. The program will not permit Senator Harding to escape from a clear-cut declaration."

"The pronouncement at Danbury will just be the starter," he added. "An outright eclipsing this one will be the ultimate. Elihu Root and his world court are projected into the campaign."

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HARDING DENIES BREAK WITH  
LEADING IRRECONCILABLES

(By Associated Press.)

Says He Approves of Senator Borah's  
Speeches—May Meet Cox at  
Marion, Oct. 10.

MARION, OHIO, Oct. 3.—Reports of a break between Senator Harding and leading irreconcilables over the treaty issue again were denied tonight by the Republican presidential nominee, who said he had received detailed information of public speeches by irreconcilable Senators and had found in them no lack of harmony with his own views.

"I approve what Senator Borah has said in his public addresses," said Senator Harding. "He will continue to make speeches for the Republican party."

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"LITTLE MAC" WON  
GIRL, BUT PAYS FOR  
HER WITH HIS LIFE

(By Associated Press.)

Pals of Jilted Gangster Swore  
to Get Him and They  
Did.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Oct. 3.—"Little Mac," whose name is entered on the voting rolls as Thomas McGrohan, was shot dead as he was entering an automobile today. Seated in the car was his wife.

The story of the shooting as the police have pieced it together relates that Little Mac won his wife away from a friend and fellow gangster. Members of the gang